

Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: Portable Handheld Work Apparatus, the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119, of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

<u>Prior Foreign Application(s)</u>		<u>Priority Claimed</u>		
<u>102 48 643.3</u>	<u>Federal Republic of Germany</u>	<u>18 Oct 02</u>	<u>X</u>	
(Number)	(Country)	Date Filed	Yes	No
<u>(Number)</u>	<u>(Country)</u>	<u>Date Filed</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>

As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorney to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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Attorney Docket: A 91844

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Statement by Attorney that Papers Attached to
Declaration are a Copy of those Filed in the Patent
and Trademark Office to Get a Filing Date

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
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Dear Sir:

I, Walter Ottesen, state that I am the attorney for this application and that I have reviewed and found the specification (pages 1 to 12) and eight sheets of drawing (FIGS. 1 to 15) as shown in my files to be the papers attached to the declaration of Gerhard Zerrer, Klaus Langhans, Jochen Kramer, Thomas Stark, Michael Vögtle and Günter Mayer for Portable Handheld Work Arrangement which accompanies this statement and I declare that these papers attached to the declaration are a true copy of the specification and any amendment thereto which I filed in the Patent and Trademark Office in order to obtain a filing date for this application on October 20, 2003.

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Transmittal of Declaration for Filing under 37 CFR 1.53(d)

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Dear Sir:

To avoid abandonment under 37 CFR 1.53(d), the applicants herewith submit the declaration in the above-identified application duly signed. A check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) is also enclosed in order to prevent abandonment of the application.

The Commissioner is herewith authorized to charge any deficiency in the fee to deposit account no. 15-0773.

Respectfully submitted,

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Walter Ottesen". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "Walter" and last name "Ottesen" clearly distinguishable.

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